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CALTRANS BEGINS PAVEMENT RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT ON STATE ROUTE 99 NEAR BAKERSFIELD

BAKERSFIELD-The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), in partnership with Security Paving Company, announces the beginning of the **Lerdo Lane Reconstruction Project.** This \$89.5 Million construction project will replace the existing roadway pavement on State Route (SR) 99 with Continuously Reinforced Concrete Pavement (CRCP). Work will begin from just north of Bakersfield (Beardsley Canal Bridge) and will extend to the SR99/46 interchange.

Construction activities may begin this week along the southbound lanes of SR99 from the SR99/46 interchange to the Merced Avenue interchange and continue throughout the season as weather permits. Construction crews will close lane #1 by installing temporary pavement striping and Concrete K-Rail for the protection of project personnel and commuters. This construction project is scheduled for completion in 2014.

Lane closures and traffic handling patterns will change throughout the duration of this construction project to accommodate pavement reconstruction activities. Please observe all Construction Signage, reduced speeds (55mph) and watch for personnel and equipment throughout the project limits.

Caltrans and Security Paving Company would like to thank the motoring public for their patience during this pavement repair project. Motorists are reminded to drive with extra care while traveling through construction areas and please "Slow for the Cone Zone".

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